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OF HIGHWAY GRIDLOCK

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Dear Examiner Tran:

Thank you for Notice of Allowance of April 12, 2006. In the Notice of Allowance, it was stated that several references cited in the IDS filed February 23, 2004 did not comply with USPTO rules. However, the Applicant states that the references that did not comply with USPTO rules were PCT "duplicates" of corresponding US references, and therefore considered. Items "ff" and "gg" were lists of references from a third party searching party, NERAC, of Tolland, CT. All relevant cited references in items "ff" and "gg" were submitted in the IDS of February 23, 2004. The USPTO does not appear to desire a long list of references generated in a third party search, MPEP §2004, ¶13. However, the search results were submitted in the IDS, in the attempt to show a thorough search was conducted pursuant to MPEP §708.02(VIII). Therefore, while not strictly in conformity with MPEP §609 in the IDS of February 23, 2004, items ff and gg

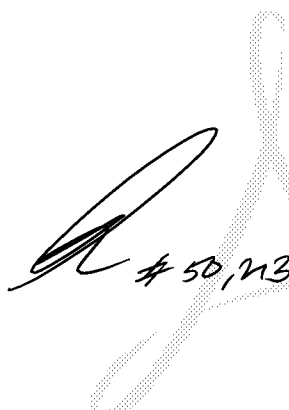
were submitted in conformity with the rules to show a proper search under MPEP §708. Further, all the relevant references were cited and brought to the attention of the Examiner and submitted in the IDS of February 23, 2004. Therefore, all the references in the IDS of February 23, 2004 are believed to have been properly considered by the Examiner in considering the patentability of claims as well as the granting of the Petition to Make Special.

Respectfully submitted,  
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